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As a crewmember serving on one of the vessels involved, it is vitally important that this matter come to a close. The crews on board these vessels want certainty about who will be the vessel operator. Transferring the vessel operating agreements to MLL provides the long-term certainty about crewing and the future of the vessels in the program that are critical to the U.S.-flag Merchant Marine and national defense sealift.

MLL is a respected commercial operator that provides vital assets and systems needed to meet defense sealift requirements, including employment opportunities for seafarers. Continued indecision in this matter is adversely impacting my future employment opportunities, military sealift and the MSP program.

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